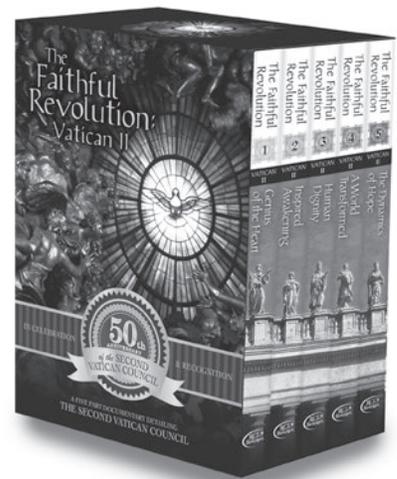




# The Faithful Revolution: Vatican II



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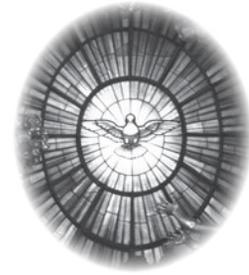
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### Introduction

On April 16, 2013, Pope Francis offered his support to the work of the Second Vatican Council, saying it was “a beautiful work of the Holy Spirit.” He made his remarks in a homily at a Mass celebrated at the Santa Marta residence inside the Vatican. He criticized those who resist change and “wish to turn back the clock” and “to tame the Holy Spirit,” asking, 50 years after the council, “Have we done everything the Holy Spirit was asking us to do during the Council?” The answer is “no,” Francis said, according to a Vatican radio report. He continued that, as we now observe the 50th anniversary of the Council, we tend to make the Council into a monument, something to look at like a historical event, but we don’t want it to upset us or change us today. “. . . {A}nd what’s more there are those who wish to turn the clock back.” This, he went on, “is called stubbornness and wanting to tame the Holy Spirit.”

Following the leadership of Pope Francis, we present to you a new guide for examining the Council itself as well as its key outcomes. A major goal of *The Faithful Revolution: Vatican II* DVD series is to keep alive the vision and spirit of Vatican II. The material is versatile and has many direct applications for adult education, catechist training, college courses on Vatican II, parish renewal, Catholic identity, and continuing education for specific areas of parish ministry and leadership.

### About the Films

*The Faithful Revolution: Vatican II* consists of five 60-minute DVDs. The documentary was originally filmed for broadcast, and was shown on PBS soon after its completion in 1998. However, the documentary contains so many themes and so much content that watching the entire documentary in a catechetical setting can be quite cumbersome. This unique series can be easily divided into a dynamic discussion series consisting of shorter clips shown in a series of manageable sessions. In this guide, we suggest a way for individuals, small groups, or larger classes to view and discuss segments of the DVDs in a prayerful and conversational setting.

### About This Guide

This electronic guide includes full facilitator plans for eight sessions.

- Most sessions include a plan for some optional DVD segments that are not part of the core plans.
- Following the session plans, you will find numbered participant handouts for each session. The handouts are placed at the end for your ease of use, as some of them are used in multiple sessions.
- Following the Handouts, you will find a Cumulative Glossary, Footnotes, and a short Bibliography.

**The five DVDs are:**

**1 DVD One: *Genius of the Heart***  
**Major themes:** Change and Tradition, The World of the 60s, Pope John XXIII, The Goals of Vatican II, Liturgical Reform, Changes in the Mass, and the Death and Legacy of Pope John XXIII

**2 DVD Two: *Inspired Awakening***  
**Major Themes:** Pope Paul VI, The Council Continues, The Role of Women in the Church, Religious Vocations, Ecumenism, and the Lefebvre Movement

**3 DVD Three: *Human Dignity***  
**Major Themes:** Human Rights, Religious Freedom, Father Luis Olivares, the Sanctuary Movement, the Church in Latin America, Identification with the Poor, the Church in Poland, the Solidarity Movement, the Collapse of Communism, Pope John Paul II, the Church Universal, the Church in Africa, Making the Liturgy Come Alive, Inter-Religious Dialogue, Christian/Jewish Relations, and the Holocaust

**4 DVD Four: *A World Transformed***  
**Major Themes:** The Emerging Laity, Lay Leadership, Marriage, Birth Control, *Humanae Vitae*, the St. Egidio Community, Vatican II Values, Lay Movements, Polarization in the Church, the Tumultuous 60s, War and Peace, the Vietnam War, Peace Movement, the Church and Nuclear Weapons, and the Civil Rights Movement

**5 DVD Five: *The Dynamics of Hope***  
**Major Themes:** The Implementation of Vatican II, Tension within the Church, John Paul II, the Church in Chiapas, Bishop Samuel Ruiz, the Medellin Conference, the Church in Latin America, Liberation Theology, Social Justice, Collegiality, Bishop Jacques Gaillot, Dialogue in the Church

**How to Use This Guide**

The goals of the DVD series are:

- to acquaint (or re-acquaint) the participants with some of the core insights of the Second Vatican Council,
- to explore the context in which it occurred, and
- to explore implications for the Church today.

Rather than suggesting a complete viewing of the entire documentary, some parts of which have become somewhat dated, we suggest a path for presenting key portions of the series in eight one- to one and a half-hour sessions, each built upon a fifteen- to twenty-minute DVD clip. The Guide provides a full session plan for each of the eight suggested sessions. Each session includes opening and closing prayer experiences, discussion questions, and handouts for participants.

For those groups with a longer session time, most sessions include an Extending the Session plan that includes a reflection. These materials appear at the end of each regular session plan. In this way, facilitators may either extend the core session or add a second session, as the group wishes, to address additional material on the DVD.

The following chart offers a brief outline of the core and the optional sessions. **NOTE:** The time codes in the first column are visible on most computer media players, usually below the DVD screen. They will assist you in finding the location of the segment of the DVD clip to be shown in each session. You can navigate to the appropriate starting spot by using the directional arrows on your media player, or by dragging the tracking device that shows the status of the DVD being played.

# SESSION 1: THE CALL OF THE COUNCIL

SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 1: Genius of the Heart</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 0:00 to 22:07</p>	<p>Political and social context of the Council</p> <p>Pope John XXIII</p> <p>Calling of the Council and the Pope’s opening speech</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> What does it mean to be a person with “heart?”</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> <i>aggiornamento</i> <i>ressourcement</i></p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #2a: Quiz: Vatican II #2b: Quiz: Vatican II Answer Key #3: An Overview of Vatican II #4: Conversation Log for Session 1 #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #6: Pope John XXIII: Excerpts from His Opening Speech at the Council</p>
<p><b>Optional Part 2:</b> 22:07 to 25:52</p>	<p>Liberal/conservative views among the bishops at the outset of the Council</p>	

## SESSION 2: THE LITURGICAL REFORMS OF VATICAN II

SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 1: Genius of the Heart</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 26:37 to 40:41</p>	<p>The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> What role does the celebration of the Mass play in your life?</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> vernacular liturgy</p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #7: Responding to Change #8: Conversation Log for Session 2 #9: Excerpts from <i>The Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy</i></p>
<p><b>Optional Part 2:</b> 48:10 to 55:45</p>	<p>The Death and Legacy of Pope John XXIII</p>	

# SESSION 3: THAT ALL MAY BE ONE

SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 2: Inspired Awakening</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 1:00 to 7:14</p> <p><b>Part 2:</b> 27:56 to 42:35</p>	<p>Comparison of Pope John XXIII and Pope Paul VI</p> <p>Ecumenism</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> Who are some Christians outside the Roman Catholic tradition whom I know and love?</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> ecumenism Eastern Churches Orthodox Churches</p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #10: Conversation Log for Session 2 #11: Selections from Church Documents for Session 3 #12: Prayer of Commitment to Christian Unity</p>
<p><b>Optional Part 3 (no video)</b></p>	<p>Reflections on Church documents related to ecumenism</p>	

# SESSION 4: JUSTICE FOR ALL

SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 3: Human Dignity</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 1:00 to 11:08</p> <p><b>Part 2:</b> 11:09 to 26:27</p>	<p>Social Justice</p> <p>Human Dignity</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> Where have I experienced or observed social injustices in my own life or in the lives of others?</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> social justice <i>Gaudium et Spes</i> <i>Lumen Gentium</i> <i>Dignitatis Humanae</i></p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #13: Conversation Log for Session 4 #14: Selections from the Documents of Vatican II for Session 4 #15: A Step Along the Way (Closing Prayer)</p>
<p><b>Optional Part 3:</b></p> <p><b>DVD 2: Inspired Awakening</b> 7:15 to 25:27</p>	<p>Adaptations in Women’s Religious Communities after Vatican II</p>	

# SESSION 5: A MISSION FOR ALL

SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 3: Human Dignity</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 26:28 to 42:21</p> <p><b>Part 2:</b> 11:09 to 26:27</p>	<p>Enculturation</p> <p>Relationship with the Jewish People</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> Against whom do I hold a lingering prejudice?</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> enculturation <i>Ad Gentes</i> anti-Semitism <i>Nostra Aetate</i></p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #16: Conversation Log for Session 5 #17: Jewish Religious Symbols #18: Selections from the Documents of Vatican II for Session 5 #19: Prayer: Psalm 105 (God’s Faithfulness to Israel)</p>
<p><b>Optional Part 3:</b> (no video)</p>	<p>Reflection on Symbols of the Jewish Faith</p>	

## SESSION 6: IN THE IMAGE OF GOD

SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 4: A World Transformed</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 1:00 to 18:45</p> <p><b>Part 2:</b> 18:46 to 28:35</p>	<p>The laity, marriage, and birth control</p> <p>The laity and social action</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> How do I exercise my role as a lay person in the Church?</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> conscience natural family planning <i>Humanae Vitae</i></p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #20: Conversation Log for Session 6 #21: Selections from the Documents of Vatican II for Session 6 #22: Come, Holy Spirit (Closing Prayer)</p>

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SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 4: A World Transformed</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 33:02 to 48:30</p> <p><b>Part 2:</b> 48:51 to end</p>	<p>War and peace</p> <p>Civil rights</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> In what ways am I a peacemaker in the world in which I live?</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> <i>Pacem in Terris</i></p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #23: Conversation Log for Session 7 #24: Selections from <i>Gaudium et Spes</i> #25: Prayer of Saint Francis</p>

## SESSION 8: PREFERENTIAL OPTION FOR THE POOR

SELECTIONS	THEMES	OVERVIEW
<p><b>DVD 5: The Dynamics of Hope</b></p> <p><b>Part 1:</b> 17:48 to 35:31</p> <p><b>Part 2:</b> 1:00 to 17:47</p> <p><b>Closing:</b> 47:41 to end</p>	<p>Poverty and liberation theology</p> <p>Popes from John XXIII to John Paul II; priests in politics</p>	<p><b>Focus Question</b> Where have I encountered material or spiritual poverty?</p> <p><b>Words to Know</b> Liberation theology Medellin Conference of Latin American Bishops</p> <p><b>Handouts</b> #1: Opening Prayer #5: Vatican II: A Cumulative Glossary #26: Conversation Log for Session 8 #27: Selections from Church Documents for Session 8 #28: Closing Prayer: Glory to God</p>